

**Amendments to the Specification**

Immediately after the title of the invention, please insert the following heading and paragraph:

**CROSS REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application claims priority to PCT/US00/14818, filed May 26, 2000, which claims priority to U.S. Application. No. 09/322,700, filed May 28, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,172,040.

Under the heading **Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments**, replace the second paragraph with the following paragraph:

The LF is immobilized on a naturally occurring substrate. Such substrates include organic compounds, which attach to the LF protein to the N-terminus. Most preferably, the substrate is a galactose-rich polysaccharide. Suitable galactose-rich polysaccharides include galactose derivatives comprising galactose, anhydrogalactose, 2-Ome-galactose, and 4-Ome-galactose, among others. The galactose-rich polysaccharides can be purchased or extracted from commercial agars by known methods. Other suitable biologically active substrates include proteins, such as collagen, denatured collagen (gelatin), fibronectin, and casein; polysaccharides, such as mucin, heparan-sulfates, carrageenan, ~~cellulose~~; nucleic acids and their nucleotides, such as deoxyribonucleic acid and adenosine triphosphate; and lipids such as triglycerides.